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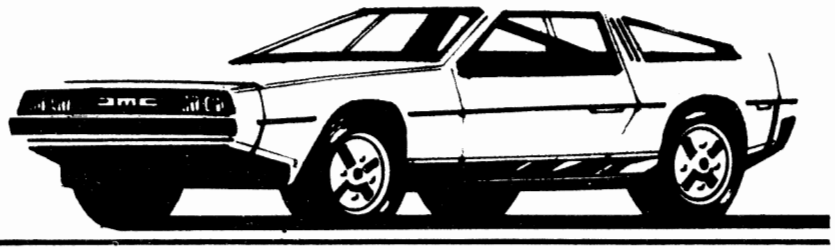

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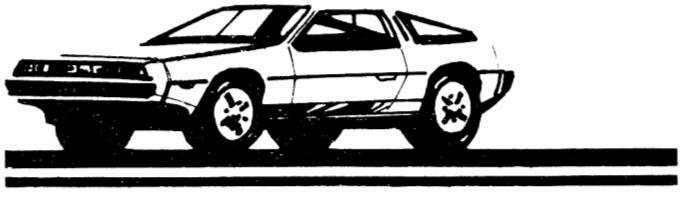

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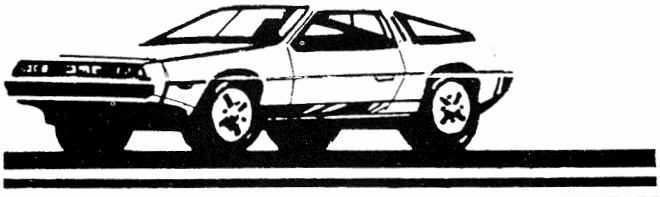

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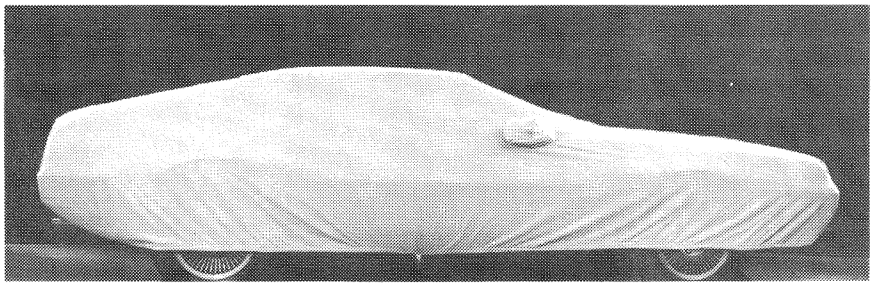

DMC CUSTOM CAR COVER

Completely washable, water repellant and mildew resistant, the DMC custom car cover uses a wide elastic binding all around to insure a really snug fit. Made from a durable blend of polyester (65%) and cotton (35%) its reflective light tan coloring helps to lesson the chances of fading from prolonged exposure to sunlight and tends to resist heat buildup in the car. A tote bag with De Lorean identification is included.

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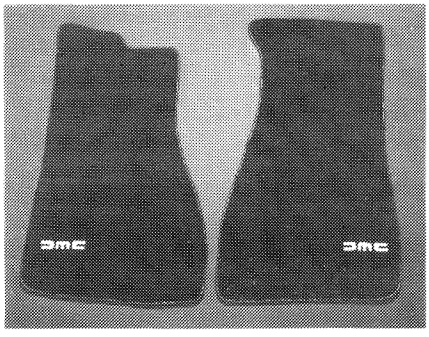

DMC CUSTOM PLUSH FLOOR MATS

Manufactured from 100% heat set black nylon with a latex backing, the DMC plush floor mats are tastefully monogrammed in white with the DMC logo. Trimmed with heavy duty, color coordinated vinyl binding. They provide a special "finishing touch" to the De Lorean interior that is as practical as it is stylish.

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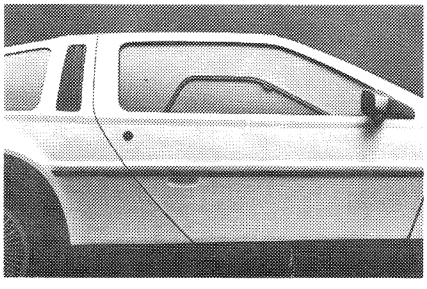

DMC ACCENT SIDESTRIPES

A. The wide black textured sidestripe, with its prominent display of the DMC logo, further enhances the dramatic flair of complimentary side trim for a more prestigious, luxurious overall appearance.
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B. The gray "Scotchcal" thinline sidestripe includes the DMC logo as an element of design and runs the full length of the automobile to complement the De Lorean styling with a subtle, yet distinctive statement of elegance.
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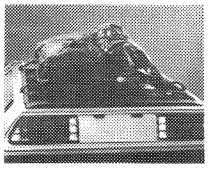

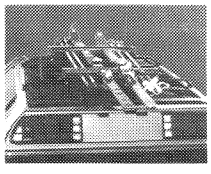

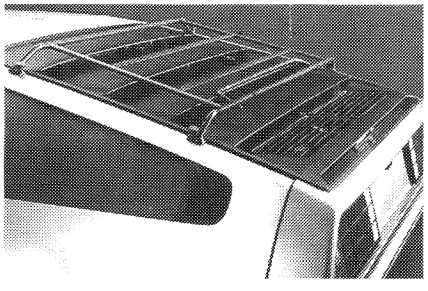

DMC CUSTOM LUGGAGE RACK

Fashioned from rugged, tubular steel, the custom luggage rack is smartly finished in easy-care black enamel. A simple quick fastening device allows easy attachment or removal, and its unique, telescopic design provides for convenient space saving storage in front luggage compartment when not in use. All necessary hardware and luggage straps are included.

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DMC LOCKABLE SKI ADAPTER

In a matter of minutes, the ski adapter can be easily installed directly onto the DMC luggage rack to safely carry two pairs of skis and poles without interfering with door operation. Flexible, rubber padding assures maximum equipment protection, and both racks can be locked for extra security.

Part No. A3000011

DMC RE$TRUCTURING

Will the greatest auto manufacturing dream of the last half-century turn into a financial nightmare?

"As long as I can breathe, we are not going to fail."
– John Z. DeLorean, May, 1982

If the DeLorean Motor Company built hang gliders instead of gull-wing sports cars they couldn't be involved in more cliff hangers than the current state of affairs. Since the Belfast plant went into receivership to the British government in February, the financially troubled company has been waiting for a multi-million dollar investor in a white suit of armour. In fact, several have been found – but not soon enough. Production finally came to a grinding halt on May 30th.

Selling the Cars

The first hope in a long series came with a proposed sale of 1,000 cars to Budget Rent-A-Car. The capital was necessary for DeLorean to put together a re-purchase plan for the British receivers. But the sale, which would have put the cars in 30 airports across the States, fell through because of DeLorean's unresolved financial debts.

A sale was clinched, however, to Consolidated – an Ohio-based liquidation firm. Approximately 1,200 cars at $12,000 each provided DMC with $13.7 million needed to defray a $19 million debt to Bank of America. A trust fund was also established to insure against the 43 outstanding claims filed by former California employees. (Among these was former chief of marketing operations in Irvine – C.R. Brown. The suit was eventually withdrawn.)

The sale of 200 cars to the Mideast provided revenue to keep the plant operating until the end of May, with $8.5 million interim financing from the U.K. – who had already pumped in $150 million since the plant opened in 1978. Limited production of 35-40 cars weekly continued. But less than 160 cars were delivered to U.S. dealers in April, with over 1,000 cars still in inventory on the West Coast. A total 4,000 gull wings still remained unsold, as sales lagged behind expectations in a failing economy.

Finding Investors

Belfast debts amounted to $88 million to trade creditors and $22 million to the U.K. for bank guarantees. Untold amounts on liabilities for warranty payments and royalties awaited the outcome of the investors pursuit.

DeLorean's real hope to regain control of the factory from the receivers hinged on the big-number saviors. One of these was New York real estate developer, Peter Kalikow. Negotiations between Kalikow and the British look promising enough with a $35 million ante. Negotiations eventually collapsed when the Brits complained about Kalikow's terms. In essence, he would have put all the chips into the U.S. marketing operation, in return for a majority equity position in the company – and the Belfast unit would have operated only under an unguaranteed contract.

DeLorean remained optimistic, however, with other unnamed California investors in the wings. In mid-May he delivered a letter of intent for re-purchase to the receivers, backed by a $30 million investment from a major California financial institution. Another $6-7 million was offered by a British investor.

But the British, it seemed, had waited long enough. Hours after DeLorean had announced to the press he had $37 million in potential investments, the British government ordered the closure of the plant. On May 30th, 1300 of the 1500 employees were laid off and production (minimal as it was since February) ceased.

At Press Time

Another new plan to regain control of the factory and resume production of 1983 models in September or October has begun to look solid. DeLorean's letter of intent, backed by $35 million from various sources, waited for signature from the receivers, who are checking on the documentation from U.S. banks. ═

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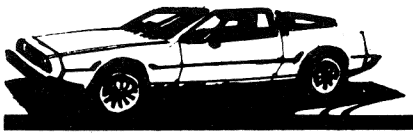

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MINNEAPOLIS '81 DELOREAN, 5 speed low miles, stored winters, like new, $16,700. (612) 588-1225.

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NEVER TITLED, 1981, S/N 1793, blk leather, five speed, 300 miles, great investment, quick sale. $26,500. (203) 327-3395.

DELOREAN # 2676 - All Options. Asking $26,500. (212) 273-2796.

'81 AUTO, 6,000 miles, all options, $16,500/ consider trade. (312) 755-7569 or (312) 895-3501.

SHOWROOM CONDITION, 1981, 9,000 mi, $32,000-? Larry (405)488-2110

DELOREAN AND DELUXE Options. Mint. $21,500. (305) 255-4720

LOW MILEAGE, 1981, 5 speed. Omaha (402) 563-1005

FLAWLESS '82 - 7M miles, Compl. automatic. 1ERD617. (714)960-9242

DELOREAN '81 - Auto, loaded, 7,000 mi $22,500 or best offer. Ray (313)698-9443 or(213)525-4330

FIVE SPEED, black interior, low number, classic, original, 1300 miles, $25K firm; lease or buy. (202) 821-2183.

'80 DELOREAN, Earliest model. One of the 1st of its kind in Pasadena. Under 700 miles. Kept under wraps. Mint cond. Estate must sell. $20,900 (213) 682-3559

800 MILES, 5 speed, $23,000 Call (402) 292-3210.

BRILLIANT RED, 1981, 5 spd, 5,000 miles, incredible, fin. 1 of a kind, must see. Immac of course. $30M. (315)424-0513 X-318 M-F 9-5

'81 DELOREAN. 4,200 miles,5 speed $19,000. (305) 553-0320

DUAL EXHAUST, '81 5 sp, loaded, xlnt shape, must sell, $16,000 /or best offer, S/N 0747. (213) 659-9125 or (714)661-4845.

CRUISE CONTROL, radar, alarm, power antenna added. S/N 6823, auto, 1500 miles, garaged, 100% Debugged, Negot. 516-694-3371

DELOREAN---MAKE OFFER
Call Frank Lawton 201-549-7872

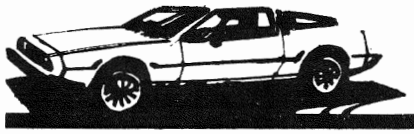
'81 STAINLESS STEEL, Black leather interior, AM/FM Cassette, 1500 miles, #2866. Need reliable party to take over payments. No old contracts to assume. Call Mike Morris (415) 459-5427 Hart to Hart

DELOREAN '81. 11K miles Mint cond Offer (916) 635-1115.

FERRARI YELLOW, late model, 5 spd 5K miles, Gray interior, Superb. $24,500. Days (702) 831-0767; Evenings (702) 831-3025.

1981 DMC. Accepting bids, serious inquires only. 402-291-1400.

PRESTIGE '81. $19,950. Destined to soar in value. 4,100 miles. (305) 944-1800.



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CARS FOR SALE

'82 DE LOREANS:

Unusual gray interior, 500 mi. $23,000 or best offer. (303) 795-2380. Denver.

Automatic, 1500 mi., 18 mpg (in town). $24,000. Firm. Financing avail. Leased auto, executive driven. (412) 923-1650. Pittsburgh.

Loaded, immaculate. (305) 443-6822. Miami.

"Live your dream." 400 mi. $23,500. Might trade. (402) 896-1731. Omaha.

Lease-wise, 36 mo. $3,000 down, open end lease, your option to purchase. $536 per mo., plus tax and insurance. Contact Matt Matey, (313) 371-1743. Detroit.

'81 DE LOREANS:

Damaged, easily repaired. Asking $10,200. (516) 822-3154. New York.

7,000 mi., excellent cond., 5-speed, special striping package, leather interior K40. $22,000. Kevin Gamble, (318) 222-4441, or 797-3183.

New, first car sold in Chicago. 600 mi., 5-speed, mint. (312) 769-4100. Chicago.

5-speed, mint, one owner, low miles. Must sell. $17,900. (312) 433-4401, 9-6. Chicago.

5-speed, cassette, 20 mi. $18,750. (313) 548-8911. Chicago.

Like new, less than 1000 mi. Must sell. $16,500. (312) 266-2985. Chicago.

Never used, 5-speed, air, stereo cassette. Must sell. $18,750. (205) 883-7295. Atlanta.

Company demo, 5-speed, last black interior, 5000 mi. 5-year, 50,000 mi. warranty avail. $19,545. Spreen Leasing, Atlanta.

Front damaged, rebuildable. Open for bids, Mon.-Fri., 8:30-4:30. The Salvage Pool, 22835 Royalton, Strongsville, OH.

5-speed, under 2000 mi., just like new. $17,995. (213) 652-7020. Los Angeles.

5-speed, low mi., factory warranty. $17,000. (213) 455-1116, 454-9963. Los Angeles.

5-speed, black leather, serial no. 788 (228th production car). In excel. cond., under 4000 mi. $17,000. (503) 686-1756, eves. Eugene, OR.

Auto, stripes, less than 1000 mi. Better than brand new. Make offer. (313) 858-2415. Detroit.

Colonial Yellow! Black interior. (303) 530-0125. Boulder.

Like new, own a true collectible. (606) 377-2964. Los Angeles.

Only 8000 mi. $18,000. (213) 335-8433. Los Angeles.

Excellent condition, must sell, low miles. (714) 771-1317. Los Angeles.

2000 mi., loaded, immaculate, must sell. (404) 252-1846, days; 634-4481, eves. Atlanta.

Demo, 5-speed, black leather, 5,680 mi., 5-year/50,000 mi. warranty. $18,995 or lease 42 at $489.95. Call Steve Ayers, (404) 458-8601. Atlanta.

Jet black w/ grey leather. Two available. (714) 524-1200. Los Angeles.

Bright red w/ grey leather interior. (714) 524-1200. Los Angeles.

Black leather, 5-speed, private party. $20,450. (801) 649-8709; 649-4660, weekdays. Salt Lake City.

5-speed, black leather, 1700 mi. $20,000. (313) 569-6900, 9-5. Detroit.

5-speed, 2600 mi. Must sell -- best offer. (517) 631-7548. Lansing.

Factory official, auto, 5000 mi., full factory warranty. $17,995. (313) 353-1300. Detroit.

Flawless, 5500 mi., fully loaded, pampered. Must sell, will sacrifice. (805) 682-4165. Santa Barbara.

Like new, 6000 mi. (214) 245-8325. Dallas.

5-speed, perfect. $22,000. (303) 366-4149, 771-0509. Denver.

Auto, nearly new. $22,000 -- will deal. (303) 530-0125. Boulder.

Auto, 2500 mi., alarm system. 65,000 mi., 5-year warranty. Take over 48-mo. lease at $479/mo. for $5,000. 43 payments left, very low buy-back. (212) 738-7616. New York.

Brand new, avail. today, 5-speed. Everything. $19,495. (201) 939-7723. New York.

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'81 DELOREANS:

As new, low mi., auto, all goodies, sacrifice, save thousands. $18,750. (213) 946-6581. Los Angeles.

Late model. Emergency sale. $21,000. (707) 894-3189. San Francisco area.

Auto, 6500 mi., all factory extras, like new. $17,500. Contact Mike Kahn, (800) 821-2164. Dallas.

Mint condition, 28,000 mi. Collector's car. $22,000. (412) 547-2470. Pittsburgh.

Serial no. 99. Will trade for Mercedes 380SL or 450SL. Call Mark at (312) 655-2241. Chicago.

5-speed, low serial no. $18,000. Valerie, (213) 550-1626. Los Angeles.

UNSPECIFIED

DELOREANS Like new, under 200 mi., one 5-speed and one auto. Immediate delivery. Asking $16,500 each. (212) 734-1752. New York.

DELOREAN LOOK-ALIKE '76 Lancia Scorpion. Excel. cond., ice-blue, many extras. $10,500 or offer. (202) 256-5704. Washington DC.

DELOREANS Auto, 5-speed, must sell. $18,800 or best offer. (313) 882-4887. Detroit.

DELOREAN Less than 200 mi., exceptional SS finish, loaded, 5-speed. Serious buyers, please. $18,000. Bob, (612) 489-6467, 533-2211. Minneapolis.

DELOREAN Current classic, bound to appreciate, 5-speed, sheepskins, cover, like new, 2900 mi. Asking $25,750, consider trade. (515) 961-5315, 961-5185. Des Moines.

DELOREAN New, own a true collectible. M. Hall, (606) 377-2964. Bevunsville, KY.

DELOREAN Classic, grey interior, 5-speed, loaded, 900 mi. $26,000 or offer. (515) 287-4779, 445-5329. Des Moines.

DELOREAN Serial no. 1760, before production changes. Fuel filler door, windshield antenna, backlighted dash and silver wheels, one of only 1000, black leather int., 5-speed, alarm system, immaculate, 2600 mi., delivery possible. $20,000. (305) 859-7123, wkdys; 876-4336, after 5 pm & wknds. FL.

DELOREAN New, 5-speed, grey leather int., pwr windows & doors, tilt wheel, AM-FM dolby cass., mags, steel radials, 12-mo. warranty. Sacrifice at $19,250, cash. Mr. King, (214) 352-2401. Dallas.

Tech Topic 102

OIL FILTER INTERCHANGE

Most Application Charts for common car parts do not as yet show a category for DeLorean. This makes it hard to find the right part number for your car. If you know the cross-reference numbers to the various brands, then you have a better chance to find it in stock.

We will be developing a catalog of this kind of helpful information for the members on a variety of parts.

Since the most needed item on all cars is your oil filter, let's start there.

The following part numbers should fit your car equally well:

Brand	*Part Number*
FRAM	PH-16
PUROLATOR	PER-17
AC	PF-13
FOMOCO	C6JZ-6714-A
GM	5579164
WIX	15

Remember, if you do it yourself, always replace the filter each time you change the oil. Clean oil in your engine is like clean blood in your body.

— *Tom Wilson*

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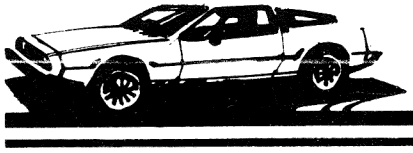

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24 KARET GOLD PLATED DELOREAN One of three in the world. In storage, only 700 miles. Best offer over $50,000. 516-887-2751

'81 AUTOMATIC - 12M miles. Ready for immediate sale. Make offer. S/N 1705. (615) 971-4095

FIRST car delivered in LA. '81 Automatic, 7M, Xlnt cond. $20,000 JG (213) 365-9225

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ABSOLUTELY perfect condition 1981 Only 4000 miles.$17,950. 474-4318 Houston Texas.

OCT '81 - 5 Speed.Perfect.$19,000 Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00 214-522-0100

RED - Mint '81, 13M miles.$16,500 (213) 348-2958

WANTED: Will trade for DELOREAN Xlnt MB '65 230 SL (714)640-7442

1981 1/2 - Five speed. Perfect condition, 5000 miles, alarm syst $19,500-best offer.(313) 671-9061

SPECIAL FM RADIO
2,200 miles, auto, perfect cond $19,000 David (214)368-1167

'82 LIKE NEW - Mint Cond. $15,900 213-457-4439

TRADE ??? -'81 5 spd, low miles, Ser #0768. $20,500.Trade or terms (714) 792-9380

GREY INTERIOR
1981 Automatic, 7K miles, $18,500 214-234-5613 or 214-369-9918

A Christmas Fantasy

Or John Z. the Snowman

'Twas the night before Christmas, Detroit was quite tense;
Sales were no better than Roger Smith's PR sense.
There were plenty of cars, there was no need to make 'em,
And with rebates we had to pay buyers to take 'em.
Efforts to sell cars were clumsy, maladroit,
Like Ford's Jackie Stewart at the Grand Prix-Detroit.

Auto persons nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of just-in-time danced in their heads;
Local content and kanban did haunt all their sleep
and the thought of Yank soldiers driving Le Jeep.
(The names of the men at the top seemed to show
That American Motors is as French as Peugeot.)

And American workers singing "Honda over all"
And Canadian workers who won't work at all.
The Japanese found workers here an odd bunch—
Won't wear company caps or do pushups at lunch.
And DeLorean found, as have many good folk,
That things do not always go better with coke.

"To save Irish jobs I did this thing only;"
Some thought that was blarney, but most said baloney.
VW as a U. S. car maker took root,
But when things went sour, for McLernon, das boot.
"Other greats have been fired," Jim said without reticence,
And he cited his pal Iacocca for precedent.

Iacocca for president? Let's light up cigars;
He's had much experience dense-packing cars.
He'd be tough with the Russians, dealers say that's no bull—
'Cause they know he's a master of the old push-pull.
It's enough to stir up the political libido—
Now that Teddy won't run, why not go with Lido?

But now a most wonderous sight gives us pause,
There in a Full Cleveland is old Ronnie Claus.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
Tossed Gorsuch to the wolves, called Yuri a jerk,
Then waving an MX and thumbing his nose
At jolly St. Tip, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh and they soared off with ease
Like protectionist sentiment against Japanese.
But we heard him exclaim in a voice a bit hoarse:
"Merry Christmas, Detroit—Oh, yes, stay the course!"

—Richard A. Wright

REVISED NEWS DATES

The Policy for newsletter dates has been changed to more accurately reflect the actual publication dates. The last issue for 1982 was Vol II,No 3. This issue starts 1983 with Vol III,No 1. You will receive six issues included in your dues regardless of the dates.

L-Jetronic Fuel injection

Trouble-shooting guide for L-Jetronic fuel injection

This guide is designed to be used in conjunction with the Robert Bosch Jetronic Service Manual.

SYMPTOM: Engine cranks but does not start	Engine starts but then dies	Rough or unstable idle	Idle speed incorrect	CO value incorrect	Erratic running	Engine misses when driving	Fuel consumption too high	No maximum power	CAUSE	REMEDY
●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	Defect in ignition system	Check battery, distributor, plugs, coil and timing
●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	Mechanical defect in engine	Check compression, valve adj. and oil pressure
●	●	●	●	●	●	●		●	Leaks in air intake system (false air)	Check all hoses and connections; eliminate leaks
●	●	●						●	Blockage in fuel system	Check fuel tank, filter and lines for free flow
●									Relay defective; wire to injector open	Test relay; check wiring harness
●									Fuel pump not operating	Check pump fuse, pump relay and pump
●	●	●		●	●		●	●	Fuel system pressure incorrect	Check pressure regulator
●									Cold start valve not operating	Test for spray, check wiring and thermo-time switch
●	●	●	●	●	●		●		Cold start valve leaking	Check valve for leakage
●									Thermo-time switch defective	Test for resistance readings vs. temperature
●	●	●	●						Auxiliary air valve not operating correctly	Must be open with cold engine; closed with warm
●	●	●		●			●		Temperature sensor defective	Test for 2-3 kΩ at 68° F.
●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	Air flow meter defective	Check pump contacts; test flap for free movement
		●	●					●	Throttle butterfly does not completely close or open	Readjust throttle stops
		●						●	Throttle valve switch defective	Check with ohmmeter and adjust
	●	●	●	●					Idle speed incorrectly adjusted	Adjust idle speed with bypass screw
		●		●	●	●		●	Defective injection valve	Check valves individually for spray
	●	●	●	●	●		●		CO concentration incorrectly set	Readjust CO with screw on air flow meter
●	●	●			●	●			Loose connection in wiring harness or system ground	Check and clean all connections
●	●	●				●		●	Control unit defective	Use known good unit to confirm defect

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